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**RESPONSE UNDER**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 1626**

**PATENT**  
3273-0153P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Yasutaka ISHII et al. Conf.: 1456  
Appl. No.: 10/092,554 Group: 1626  
Filed: March 8, 2002 Examiner: ROBERT SHIAO  
For: CATALYST COMPRISING A CYCLIC IMIDE  
COMPOUND AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING  
ORGANIC COMPOUNDS USING THE CATALYST

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE  
PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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February 9, 2005  
02/10/2005 SDENB0B1 00000040 10092554  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the Office Action dated August 10, 2004 of the Primary Examiner twice rejecting claims 1, 2 and 10-14.

This document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of ( ) month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a).

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

NO extensions of time have been previously obtained for responding to the Office Action. Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.

An extension of two (2) month(s) for responding to the Office Action was previously requested and paid for on January 10, 2005. Thus a fee of \$570.00 is required to

obtain an additional one (1) month(s) for filing the Notice of Appeal.

- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

The Government fee for filing a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals is calculated as follows:

- Large entity - \$500.00  
 Small Entity - \$250.00

Therefore, the TOTAL FEE due for the filing of this Notice of Appeal is \$1,070.00.

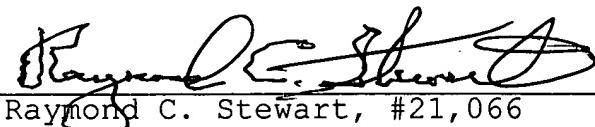
Payment of the above TOTAL FEE is being made in the following manner:

- Check(s) in the amount of \$1,070.00 is/are enclosed.  
 Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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